

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Hiroshi MIKAMI

Title: GROUP COMMUNICATION  
SYSTEM

Appl. No.: 10/628,958

Appl. Filing Date: July 28, 2003

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: Unassigned

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated February 26, 2003, in parent application Serial No. 08/924,655 and is preliminary to examination of the instant continuation application.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3.

**Remarks** begin on page 9.

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
 PO Box 1450  
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[ ] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.

[ ] Assertion of Small Entity status is enclosed.

[ X ] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	28	<input type="checkbox"/> 20	= 8	x \$18.00	= \$144.00
Independents:	<u>4</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>3</u>	= <u>1</u>	x \$86.00	= <u>\$86.00</u>
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$290.00	= \$0.00
				CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:	= <u>\$230.00</u>

[ ] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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[ ]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00
[ ]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00	\$0.00
[ ]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00	\$0.00
[ ]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00	\$0.00
[ ]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00	\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$0.00
[ ]	Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$110.00	\$0.00
	CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL:		\$230.00
[ ]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:		\$230.00

[ ] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$230.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

[X] A check in the amount of \$230.00 is enclosed.

[ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 10-28-03

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